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IMPROVING WORKING OF MAJOR PORTS
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to improve the working of major ports in the country, port-wise; and

(b) the results achieved in each port during the last three years, port-wise and year-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T. R. BAALU)

(a) Improvement of the working of Major Ports in the country is an ongoing process. In order to the improve efficiency of major ports, steps have been taken from time to time such as (i) Construction and equipping of new berths/terminals; (ii) Replacement of existing equipment with the state-of-the-art equipment on existing berths; (iii) Labour training and improvement in management practices for achieving higher efficiency output; (iv) Private sector involvement in the development and operation of port facilities to bring out additional investment and modern techniques for greater efficiency; (v) Computerisation of port working and partial induction of Electronic Data Interchange. A list of some important projects commissioned at various major ports during last three years is Annexed.

(b) The port-wise achievement in terms of cargo handled and Turn Around Time during 2002-2003, 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 is given below:-

Name of the Port	2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	Cargo handled (In million Tonnes)	Turn Round Time (in days)	Cargo handled (In million Tonnes)	Turn Round Time (in days)	Cargo handled (In million Tonnes)	Turn Round Time (in days)
Kolkata	35.80	7.49	41.26	7.16	46.15	7.16
Paradip	23.90	3.37	25.31	3.42	30.10	3.41
Visakhapatnam	46.01	3.72	47.74	3.33	50.15	3.20
Ennore	8.49	2.24	9.28	1.94	9.48	1.68
Chennai	33.69	3.70	36.71	4.60	43.81	4.00
Tuticorin	13.29	3.59	13.68	2.59	15.81	2.66
Cochin	3.02	2.19	13.57	2.21	14.10	2.33
New Mangalore	21.43	1.90	26.67	2.35	33.89	2.96
Mormugao	23.65	3.86	27.87	4.47	30.66	4.35
Jawaharlal Nehru	26.84	2.28	31.19	2.04	32.81	2.34
Mumbai	26.80	5.06	30.00	4.17	35.13	4.16
Kandla	40.63	5.94	41.52	5.06	41.54	4.62
TOTAL/OVER ALL	313.55	3.69	344.80	3.45	383.63	3.42

Annexure

List of important projects commissioned in the major ports during last three years:-

Name of the Port	Name of the project
Kolkata	Construction of berth at Haldia Dock
Paradip	Construction of Oil Berth

Visakhapatnam (i) Procurement of 4 nos. of 20 T capacity cranes
(ii) Replacement of Grab Hopper Dredger (GHD) "Durga"

Ennore Expansion of capacity for handling of iron ore

Chennai (i) Further Extension of Container Terminal
(ii) Modernisation of West Quay berth in Chennai Port
(iii) Modernisation of South Quay
(iv) Replacement of floating crane dredger
(v) Procurement of 2 Nos. 32 T Bollard Pull Tugs

Tuticorin (i) Capacity augmented at PSA container berth
(ii) Dredging of Dock Basin

Cochin (i) Installation of Cargo handling gantry crane
(ii) Installation of gantry crane replacement of RTG cranes for container handling

New Mangalore (i) Additional Port facilities for Mangalore Refinery Petrochemical Ltd.
(ii) Construction of Multiuser Oil Berth

Mormugao (i) Replacement of Barge Unloaders and Procurement of Tugs
(ii) Dredging & Deepening of Berth and approach channel

Jawaharlal Nehru (i) Construction of shallow water berth
(ii) Procurement of Post Panamax Rail Mounted Quay Cranes (RMQCs)
(iii) Procurement and replacement of Rubber Tyre Gantry Cranes

Mumbai (i) Modernisation of Marine Oil Terminal Berths
(ii) Upgradation of railways track between Gate No.6, Wadala and Ballard Pier
(iii) Replacement of Pir Pau-Sewree Wadala shore pipelines

Kandla (i) Construction of 11th Cargo Berth
(ii) Deepening and widening of Sogal Channel
(iii) Procurement of Wharf cranes of 20/25 tonnes capacity